

Late Manifest Filing Assumption of Fines

Dear Customer,

Re: Bill of Lading (B/L) number:

Shipment number:

from to

by MV

dated

We acknowledge the receipt of your late Shipping Instruction (SI) respectively late amendment of SI.

Any provision of SI after Documentation Cut-off time can and any SI replacement request (amendment) after transmission due date will lead to a late security manifest filing to be performed by the carrier which is a violation of the Chinese “24 Hour Rule”.

We expect that you are well aware of the security requirements of the China Customs Advanced Manifest (CCAM) rule, which is in place since 2009 already.

However, with regard to the stricter enforcement of the CCAM rule, we feel obliged to inform you about the possible serious consequences of your late transmission of SI (respectively amendment).

Depending on Customs decision, these late filings might be subject to significant Customs fines, which are for account of the carrier.

Due to the recent developments with the Chinese Customs system, the risk of receiving a fine has increased considerably since end of June 2014.

Unfortunately it is impossible to tell the amount of the Customs fine in advance, however it is possible that it could be a remarkable sum per B/L.

You will understand that this situation is of concern to us. For this reason we kindly ask you to hereby reconfirm your request in writing and to undertake and agree as follows:

- To promptly pay all fines and costs that may result from any late manifest filing(s) and/or indemnify the carrier for all such fines and costs respectively and
- To promptly pay all costs resulting from avoiding those fines (e.g. restows in other ports) and any other measures we as a carrier deem necessary in order to avoid such fines and

- To promptly pay all costs including but not limited to any operational costs to comply with orders of Chinese authorities and/or indemnify the carrier for all costs that may result from any late manifest filing(s) due to other measures imposed on the carrier by the respective Customs authority.

This acceptance of liability is governed by German law (place of jurisdiction Hamburg) and has to be signed by duly authorized management of your company.

Date and Signature

Company

Kind regards,
Hapag-Lloyd AG